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CONSTERNATION BEST DESCRIBES REACTION IN ISTANBUL PRESS CIRCLES TO TASS OUTBURST AT CONGRESSIONAL ACTION LIFTING EMBARGO. MORE THOUGHTFUL ANALYSTS SURPRISED BY WHAT THEY CONSIDER "HEAVY-HANDED" RESPONSE WHICH ATYPICAL OF SOVIET APPROACH TO TURKEY IN IMMEDIATE PAST. NEWSMEN DISCREETLY QUERYING FOREIGN OFFICE FOR BACKGROUND AND COMMENT. ONE SPECULATION ADVANCED BY NEWS SOURCE IN CONVERSATION WITH BPAO IS THAT SOVIETS BADLY MISCALCULATED OUTCOME OF CONGRESSIONAL VOTE AND HENCE OVER-REACTED. OTHER SPECULATION VOICED THAT STORY PRIMARILY INTENDED FOR GREECE AND CYPRUS. SOURCES BELIEVE THIS POSSIBLY PLOY IN SOVIET ATTEMPT EQUALIZE SETBACK IN THEIR ATTEMPTS WORK TOWARD INCREASED NEUTRALIZATION OF TURKEY. HOWEVER, DOMINANT REACTION ONE OF SURPRISE MIXED WITH DEGREE OF RESENTMENT AT CRUDE SOVIET ATTEMPT INFLUENCE TURKISH RELATIONS WITH WEST. ABSENCE DURING SUMMER VACATION OF THOSE COLUMNISTS WHO MIGHT BE EXPECTED TO HAVE WRITTEN
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SIMILAR BUT CERTAINLY MORE SUBTLE THOUGHTS, MIGHT HAVE BEEN CONTRIBUTING FACTOR IN TASS DECISION TO RELEASE STORY, THIS KEEPING SOVIET HAND IN PUBLIC DIALOGUE WHICH HEAVILY FOCUSED ON EMBARGO DEVELOPMENTS.
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